GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:724
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DAMAGE TO CROP DUE TO NATURAL CALAMITIES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether untimely rains and natural calamities have destroyed the standing crop in various parts of the country during the current year;

(b) if so, the quantity-wise, crop-wise and State-wise details of the damage caused to these crops;

(c) whether the Government have rendered any financial assistance by way of relief measures for the damage caused to the farmer`s crops; and

(d) if so, the State-wise and amount-wise details of financial assistance provided to farmers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) & (b): Several parts of the country received heavy rainfall during current South-west monsoon (1.6.2000 onwards) resulting in floods leading to damage to crops. The Government of Chhattisgarh has reported damage to crops in 0.68 lakh ha., the Government of Orissa has reported damage to crop area in 7.70 lakh ha. and the Government of Kerala has reported damage to crops of about Rs.158 crore value. The Government of Karnataka has reported drought conditions due to inadequate reinfall affecting crop area in 16.22 lakh ha.

(c) & (d): It is primarily the responsibility of State Governments concerned to under-take necessary measures in the wake of natural calamities. The Government of India supplements the efforts of the State Governments with financial and logistic support. Funds are available with the States under Calamity Relief Fund (CRF) for undertaking necessary measures. State- wise details of Central share of CRF released during 2001-2002 is at Annexure. The items and norms of relief assistance provides for giving input subsidy to small & marginal farmers for damaged crops.

ANNEXURE

STATE-WISE DETAILS OF RELEASE OF CENTRAL SHARE OF CALAMITY RELIEF FUND DURING 2001-2002

(RS. IN LAKHS)

S.NO. NAME OF STATE CENTRAL SHARE OF CALAMITY RELIEF FUND RELEASED

1. Andhra Pradesh 7798.50

2. Arunachal Pradesh 473.50

3. Assam 3996.00

4. Bihar -

5. Chhattisgarh 2163.00
6. Goa -

7 Gujarat 11701.49

8. Haryana -

9. Himachal Pradesh 3424.00
10. Jammu & Kashmir -
11. Jharkhand -
12. Karnataka 2936.00
13. Kerala 5956.11
14. Madhya Pradesh 4932.00
15. Maharashtra 12380.00
16. Manipur -
17. Meghalaya -
18. Mizoram -
19. Nagaland -
20. Orissa 6465.75
21. Punjab -
22. Rajasthan 12225.75
23. Sikkim 495.34
24. Tamil Nadu -
25. Tripura -
26. Uttar Pradesh 13521.06
27. Uttaranchal -
28. West Bengal -

TOTAL 88468.50